

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, JA

SUBJECT: TOKYO CONSUMER PRICE INDEX IN DECEMBER

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR TOKYO, N.S.A., DECLINED 0.2 PERCENT IN DECE FOLLOWING THE 1.0 PERCENT DECLINE IN NOV, PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE ANNOUNCED DEC 27. YEAR-OVER-YEAR INCREASE IN TOKYO CPI WAS 5.0 PERCENT IN DEC. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN FIVE YEARS THAT THE TOKYO CPI, YEAR-OVER-YEAR, HAS DIPPED TO 5 PERCENT LEVEL. IN DEC, PRICES FOR FRESH VEGETABLES, FISH, AND FRUITS CONTINUED TO DECLINE AT RETAIL LEVEL WHILE PRICES FOR CLOTHING AS WELL AS FUEL AND ELECTRICITY REMAINED UNCHANGED, REFLECTING AN UNUSUALLY WARM WINTER. EXCLUDING SEASONAL ITEMS, DEC TOKYO CPI ROSE 0.2 PERCENT. THE DECELERATION OF INFLATION HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY NOTICEABLE SINCE MID-YEAR. BECAUSE OF FASTER FIRST HALF INFLATION, THE MONTHLY AVERAGE ADVANCE IN THE TOKYO CPI (ANNUAL RATE) WAS 8.3 PERCENT FOR CY 1977, THOUGH THIS TOO REPRESENTED AN IMPROVEMENT FROM THE 9Y PERCENT INCREASE IN 1976. PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE ALSO ANNOUNCED DEC 27 THAT NATIONAL CPI IN NOV DECLINED 1.2 PERCENT FROM PRIOR MONTH'S LEVEL TO 119.4, SHOWING

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YEAR-OVER-YEAR INCREASE OF 6.2 PERCENT.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR TOKYO AREA

(N.S.A.; 1975 EQUALS 100)

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PERCENT CHANGE

FROM PRIOR FROM YEAR AGO

PERIOD

RECENT MONTHS:

OCT	121.2	0.4	7.7
NOV (REV)	120.0	MIN 1.0	6.3
DEC (PREL.)	119.8	MIN 0.2	5.0

RECENT QUARTERS (MONTHLY AVERAGE):

JAN-MAR	116.1	2.6	9.3
APR-JUNE	118.9	2.5	8.9
JUL-SEP	119.3	0.3	8.6
OCT-DEC	120.3	0.8	6.3

RECENT YEARS (MONTHLY AVERAGE):

1973	72.7	11.8
1974	89.2	22.7
1975	100.0	12.0
1976	109.6	9.6
1977	118.7	8.3

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